City of Gustavus

Policies and Procedures

Title: Salmon River Harbor Policy and Procedures

POLICY:

It is the Policy of the City of Gustavus to provide for the safe and efficient use of the Salmon River Harbor, its facilities, ramps, docks, floats and water front, to all citizens, businesses and visitors in a fair, equal and open manner. In so doing, it is the Policy of the City of Gustavus to protect the natural environment in the Salmon River harbor against any impacts which might, as a result of these various uses, including all uplands, shores, inter-tidal lands, and river bottom. Of particular importance is preservation, to the greatest extent possible, of the Salmon River estuary, its attributes, assets, biotic resources and natural processes.

To that end, the City of Gustavus will adopt ordinances, rules, regulations and operating procedures which will:

- (a) Provide for the orderly management, development, and control of the harbor facilities;
- (b) Protect and preserve the lives, health, safety and well-being of persons who use, work or maintain property at the harbor facilities;
- (c) Protect public property;
- (d) Prevent fire, hazardous spills, health hazards and abate nuisances;
- (e) Present and discourage the use of the harbor facilities for derelict vessels and property;
- (f) Insure adequate financial resources are available for upkeep and eventual replacement of the harbor facilities by the assessment of reasonable user fees, or through other means;
- (g) Conform with State of Alaska standards regarding ordinances and operations of harbor facilities
- (h) Foster an environment, by implementing rules, regulations and procedures in which all businesses that provide services utilizing City facilities and lands have fair, equal and open access to those facilities and lands for the conduct of their business, insuring that one business cannot gain an unfair advantage over another through unequal access or use of City-owned resources;
- (i) In developing and operating all facilities, consider any impacts such facilities or operations might have on the natural and biological resources of the Salmon River estuary, and devise means to abate those impacts; and
- (j) Honor the traditional uses and users of the Salmon River Harbor while fulfilling the spirit of the policy spelled out herein
- (k) Limit all development and improvements to the eastern shore of the Salmon River.

PROCEDURE:

Specific rules, regulations and operating procedures will be adopted, altered or amended as needed, and appended to this Policy and Procedure document under the heading 'Procedures.'

Signed

Mayor of the City of Gustavus